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Re:	USPN: 09/682,353	CC:	Bailey Walsh & Co.

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Dear Examiner Brown:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed July 12, 2007, we enclose the following:

- 1) Response Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated July 26, 2007 -(2 page)
- 2) Response with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated July 26, 2007 -(8 pages); and
- 3) Credit Card Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$125.00 for payment of extra claims - (1 page).

Very respectfully,

Ronald E. Smith  
USPTO Reg. No. 28,761

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Serial No. : 09/682,353 Confirmation No. 8397 **JUL 26 2007**  
Applicant : Richard M. Hall  
Filed : 08/24/2001  
TC/A.U. : 3764  
Examiner : Michael A. Brown  
Docket No. : 1320.02  
Customer No. : 21,901  
For : Obesity Treatment Aid

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**RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is a Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment for this application.

**STATUS**

2. Applicant is a independent inventor.

**EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**

(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, is being transmitted by facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 3764, Attn: Michael A. Brown, (571) 273-8300, on July 26, 2007.

Dated: July 26, 2007

  
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## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col.1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	35	Minus	34	= 1	x \$25 =	\$25
Indep.	5	Minus	4	= 1	x \$100 =	\$100
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$180 =	\$0
					Total Addit. Fee	\$125

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An additional fee for claims is required.

Very respectfully,



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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

## Introductory Comments

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed 07/12/2007, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire 08/12/2007, a clean copy of the claims is provided herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the clean copy of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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